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Dear Ms. Harris:

Ohio is requesting a renewal of the Individual Options waiver (IO, Control Number 0231.90). The 1915 (c) waiver template and associated attachments are enclosed for your review. As we have indicated to CMS, the IO renewal application submission maintains the waiver predominantly in its current form, with a few minor changes. Ohio will submit any necessary amendments to CMS after approval of the waiver renewal should modifications be required. In addition, Ohio understands that CMS retains the right to halt the review process should any questions or concerns arise.

Ohio expects to make periodic requests to CMS regarding changes to the "C" values for the IO waiver. This is primarily due to the proposed changes to the Residential Facilities waiver that will allow an individual to convert their RFW into an IO waiver. Since we are unable to project who will choose to convert to the IO waiver, Ohio will submit periodic requests to amend the "C" values for the IO along with the RFW to reflect such movement.

Thank you for your time and attention on this matter. Please direct any questions or comments to Tim Ferguson or Jan Sennett at (614) 466-6742.

Sincerely,

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State Medicaid Director

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